

READY TO OPEN DICKSON HOME

Asylum for Aged, Monument
to Late John Dickson,
Ready for Occupancy.

INVESTMENT OF \$175,000

It Will Accommodate Sixty-five Aged
Men and Is Fully Endowed by
Terms of Will.

Silent, though none the less eloquent, tribute to the memory of Henry Dickson, merchant, traveler, and philanthropist, will be expressed this week when the doors are thrown open to the John Dickson Home, which he founded.

The home for aged men who are unable to prepare homes for themselves, will be opened next Wednesday, January 1.

Designed by Arthur H. Heaton, architect, the John Dickson Home constitutes a notable addition to the architecture of the National Capital. It is located on a tract of land of about four acres on Fourteenth Street, between Piney Branch Road and Gallatin Street Northwest.

The building is of pure colonial type, of brick, fireproof construction, two stories and attic in height. Porches have been placed at each end and on the east and west sides.

The property was purchased, plans approved, and the building constructed under direct supervision of the trust committee of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, trustees under the will of Henry Dickson.

The home is admirably situated for its purpose. Some fine trees on the tract have been preserved, and the building has been so placed on the property that sunshine is admitted to each room at some time during the day.

A driveway and footwalks form the approach to the main entrance to the home on the Fourteenth Street side, and winding macadam roads also pass through the grounds from east to west, touching at another entrance on the Piney Branch Road side of the structure. It is intended that these roads may be used by the public, though not for heavy vehicles.

The grounds are entirely surrounded by a hedge of California privet, which, with bushes, shrubs, and trees, placed with care and good taste, constitute an attractive setting for the beautiful colonial building.

Planned After Others.
When plans were under consideration for the construction of the John Dickson Home, it was decided to profit by the experience of others in building and equipping homes of this character, and John Joy Edson, president of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, made trips to a number of like institutions in other cities from Boston to Chicago studying them from every angle and adopting a number of their best features to be drawn into the plans by Mr. Heaton, architect of the local home.

All the interior arrangements of the John Dickson Home are well adapted to the purpose intended. The main entrance from the east side leads into a spacious hall, with the office of the home on one side, and a reception room on the other. At the south end of the main floor is a sitting room and library, containing two open fireplaces, with writing rooms adjoining. Directly facing the main hall is a sun parlor, which is to be used as an additional sitting room, and very wide passageway.

Beyond the sun parlor is the dining room, which has an abundance of light, and members of the home will be seated at round tables, six persons at each table. The kitchen is on the same floor, and is an open light room, with a thoroughly modern equipment of culinary appliances.

Although it is the intention to allow each man to have a room for himself, provision has been made for occupation of some of the larger rooms by two, when that is agreeable. Most of the bedrooms are ten by fourteen feet in size, and each of them has a ventilated closet for clothing. Accommodations have been provided for about sixty-five, but room can be found for more if necessary. All

of the furniture and fixtures are in keeping with the colonial style of the building. In his visits of inspection, Mr. Edson found that most of the homes of a character similar to this, were under the personal care of a woman superintendent, and since it is proposed to make the John Dickson Home as homelike and pleasant for the members as may be possible, the same idea will be adopted here and a woman superintendent installed. Every convenience tending towards making the home homelike will be provided by the trust committee. Members of the home will be permitted the greatest possible freedom in coming and going, as though they were in homes of their own.

Home Is Endowed.
In his will Henry Dickson specified that the home should be named the "John Dickson Home." In carrying out the trust to build and establish a complete home, it also was clearly kept in view that it should be on memorial lines—a monument, as intended by Mr. Dickson, to his father. The founder left not only a sufficient estate to erect, but to endow the home.

John Dickson, founder of the fortune which has gone to establish this most notable charity, emigrated to this country from Ireland about 1860 and settled in Georgetown, engaging in business as a coal merchant. The business and the estate came to Henry Dickson as his inheritance, and he continued the business on constantly enlarging lines until poor health compelled his retirement. He sought a home in the salubrious climate of Southern France, settling finally in Nice. During all of the years of his absence in Europe, however, Mr. Dickson maintained his legal residence in Washington, and visited this city frequently. He never married and died in London, September 22, 1907. The Washington Loan and Trust Company, made trustee under his will, has faithfully executed the bequests of Mr. Dickson.

Property Cost \$175,000.
An expenditure aggregating about \$175,000 is represented in the building and grounds, and there is remaining an endowment fund of ample proportions for the perpetual maintenance of the home.

While erecting a memorial to his father it was the aim of Mr. Dickson to give worthy old men a restful and pleasant home for their declining years, and to insure this end, so far as may be possible, the trust committee of the Washington Loan and Trust Company has adopted a series of rules, similar to those in force elsewhere in like homes in this country, the principal provisions of which are, in part, as follows:

The minimum age for applicants is sixty-five years and the applicants must be men who are unable to procure for themselves homes of their own. Applicant must have resided in the District of Columbia for at least five years prior to his application. He must be either a native of a naturalized citizen of the United States. He must be a man who, in the time of his strength and health, was a self-sustaining member of society, contributing to the proper maintenance and support of those dependent upon him; of good moral habits and character, and free from incurable disease.

The applicants are to be examined by a physician for the home. The home is not intended or equipped for a hospital, but it provides fully for the proper care of those who, after entering, become sick of infirm.

Tuesday, December 21, the board of directors of the Washington Loan and Trust Company will make a formal visit and thoroughly inspect the home, and invitations have been issued to a large number to visit the home on the same day. The next day, January 1, 1913, those whose applications have been approved will be admitted.

THANKS EMPLOYEES.
President Finley, of Southern, Mails Letter to Each.

A letter expressing the company's appreciation of the faithful service given it by the employees during the year about to end, signed by W. W. Finley, president of the Southern, was mailed each employee of the road yesterday.

In the letter President Finley commends the employees for their faithfulness in the past and urges them to strive during the coming year to make it the banner year in the history of the company.

Many steps taken by the company during the past year to insure safety are reviewed in the letter and future steps outlined. The employees are asked to give the company their heartiest cooperation during the coming year to eliminate all avoidable accidents.

**EXPECT TROUBLE
IN GETTING JURY**

**Negro, Who Is Charged with
Assaulting White Woman,
To Be Arraigned Monday.**

WOMAN IS RECOVERING

**Counsel for Assailant Will Have to
Be Appointed by Court to
Defend the Prisoner.**

Nathaniel Green, negro, twenty-three years old, indicted on Thursday for an alleged attack on Mrs. Adelaide Grant in C Street Southeast on Christmas night, probably will be arraigned in the Criminal Court to-morrow morning, when an effort will be made to have an early date named for the beginning of the trial.

United States Attorney Clarence R. Wilson and his assistants, Harvey Given and James M. Proctor, yesterday received a number of complimentary epistles from residents throughout the District, containing compliments to the prosecutors for the speed with which they have thus far handled the case.

Friends of Mrs. Grant, who is reported by physicians at Casualty Hospital to be slowly but steadily recuperating from injuries and shock resultant from the attack, are endeavoring to convince Prosecutor Wilson that Nathaniel Green can be convicted on the evidence in hand without Mrs. Grant taking the witness stand.

Among the government prosecutors it is believed difficulty will be encountered in procuring a jury because of the fact that nearly all veniremen who will be summoned for examination will have formed an opinion of the alleged guilt of Nathaniel Green by reading accounts of the attack on Mrs. Grant in newspapers.

As no attorney has offered to defend Green, it is probable that it will be necessary for Justice Wendell P. Stafford to appoint a lawyer for the negro. Care will be exercised in the choice of such a lawyer, as it is desired by the court that Green shall be defended by the most capable legal talent obtainable.

**CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR
BLIND OF THE CITY**

**New Home of National Library for
the Unfortunate Formally
Opened.**

A Christmas celebration for the blind in the nature of a house warming party of the new home of the National Library for the Blind, 123 H Street Northwest, was given last night. More than a hundred of the city's blind were brought together and made happy.

The feature of the entertainment was a musical Christmas tree. Although unable to see the beautiful decorations on the tree, they were able to derive pleasure from it by hearing many old time melodies. The tree was mounted on a music box and revolved while playing. Many old folk songs were sung and musical selections given by the blind. Each blind person attending received numerous gifts. A box filled with different kinds of water bulbs was sent them by Dr. B. F. Gallaway, of the Department of Agriculture. In addition, each was supplied with an abundance of candy, fruit and nuts.

The entertainment last night was in charge of Mrs. William Hitz and Miss Etta Josephine Giffin, director of the National Library for the Blind. Now that the organization has a home it can call its own, numerous social entertainments are being planned by those in charge.

The Oldest Remedy Known
Is a sedative powder. All physicians prescribe it for all troubles of the stomach, liver, and bowels. You can now buy a good-tasting sedative powder. It is called Hoff's Lemon Sedative.

PROTEST AGAINST THE SEAL REGULATION

G. A. Clark and Dr. D. S. Jordan,
Special Investigators, Tell of
Pribilof Islands Herd.

George A. Clark, secretary of the Fur Seal Commission of the United States of 1896 and 1897, and special investigator of the seal islands in 1906, who has recently returned from a trip to the Pribilof Islands, and Dr. David Stary Jordan, a former commissioner in charge of fur seal investigations, have filed with Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel a statement setting forth their protest against the enforcement of the law of 1912 providing for the suspension of killing for five years, and urge its immediate repeal. They claim that the treaty entered into between the United States, Great Britain, and Japan, which prevents pelagic sealing, is sufficient to conserve the herd, and that its abolition is demonstrated by the experience of the past season is an adequate remedy for the decline of the herd.

Land killing, they say, confined to the superfluous males, has who cannot and under the law endanger the life of a herd, and that suspension of land killing can do only harm to the herd and to the subsidiary life upon the islands. Pelagic sealing is the killing of seals while swimming in the sea in search of food, or when the seals are migrating, and in the past it is stated, the herds on the Pribilofs have been slaughtered at random by Japanese pelagic sealers, killing within and without the three-mile limit, seals regardless of sex. The report of Mr. Clark and Dr. Jordan was made summing up by Secretary Nagel, and he says that it "presents the important and essential facts so clearly that the department publishes the statement for the information of all who are interested in the fur seal question."

**ARRANGE TO TAKE
OVER THE CLUBHOUSE**

**New Capital Club to Have House-
warming in Rooms on New
Year's Day.**

Final arrangements were made yesterday at a joint meeting of the board of directors of the new Capital Club and the board of directors of the National Republican Club for the former to assume control of the clubhouse at 124 Pennsylvania Avenue, now occupied by the National Republican Club. Formal transfer of the lease and other property will be made on Tuesday.

The new club will be formally opened on New Year's Day, when a reception will be held from 12 until 6 o'clock p. m. The new club was incorporated yesterday under the laws of the District. The incorporators were Samuel A. Kimberly, Thomas Grant, and Henry M. Camp.

The purpose of the club, as defined in the articles of incorporation, are to create a closer social, fraternal, and business relationship between the business men of the National Capital, and for encouragement and support of an active interest in the civic affairs, and to provide the conveniences of a clubhouse.

An extensive campaign will be made among the business men of the city and throughout the country, whose business brings them to the city, to interest them in the club. Already more than a hundred applications for membership have been made, and the success of the club is assured.

Death Was Accidental.
A certificate of death from natural causes has been issued in the case of Mrs. Henrietta Marks, sixty-eight years old, who was found dead in bed yesterday morning at 120 K Street Southeast, where she conducted a small grocery store. Customers who found the store locked after the usual opening hour, summoned Policeman Kite, of the Fifth precinct, who forced an entrance, and found the lifeless body of Mrs. Marks. She recently had suffered attacks of acute indigestion.

Battle in Opium Den.
Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—After a hand-to-hand fight in the darkness of an opium den on South Street, near Seventeenth today, between the Chinese proprietor and three inmates and policemen, several Chinamen were arrested and all the opium confiscated.

INTEREST IN TARIFF SCHEDULE GENERAL

Chairman Underwood, of Ways and
Means Committee, Hears from
Many Persons.

Chairman Underwood, of the Ways and Means Committee, who will direct the revision of the tariff at the coming special session of Congress, said yesterday that interest in the result of the Democratic labors on the tariff was general throughout the country.

"We have received numerous applications from men representing various interests to be heard on the subject of tariff reduction," he explained. "These requests are coming in from every section of the country. The greatest interest seems to be manifested in the chemical, wool, and agricultural schedules. The committee is desirous of getting the most complete information, and to these ends notice of the hearings beginning January 6 was given, with requests for briefs setting forth all arguments and inviting suggestions. These will facilitate the work of the committee."

The hearings will run through January, and the committee will begin framing the schedule revisions in February, that all of them may be ready for presentation to the House by the middle of March, in the expectation that President Wilson will call the extra session at an early date.

Members of the Ways and Means Committee assert that there will be no changes made in the bills as introduced by the committee at the beginning of the present session of Congress. There has been no pressure brought to bear on members for free raw wool, for instance, which caused the break between Underwood and Bryan, the latter insisting on free wool and Underwood opposing it.

**FRENCH NOBLEMAN PAYS
VISIT TO NAVAL ACADEMY**

Count Andre de Pourqueres Secs
Future Admirals at
Work.

Special to The Washington Herald.
Annapolis, Md., Dec. 28.—The Naval Academy to-day was inspected by Count Andre de Pourqueres, of distinguished French descent, whose chief desire, he says, is to make the world more beautiful.

The count is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charles Carroll, of Doughoerger Manor, in Howard County.

Accompanied by Moncure Robinson, of New York, with whom he is intimately acquainted, and Mrs. Charles Carroll, the count arrived in the city on an afternoon car and was conveyed direct to the Naval Academy. He called on Supt. Gibbons, and later was entertained at luncheon by the superintendent.

That the count might take in the various things of interest about the government reservation, Capt. Gibbons detailed Lieut. Kenneth G. Castleman to accompany him on a tour of inspection. He was shown through the several departments, and also visited the casket of John Paul Jones. He was particularly impressed with the museum or crypt in the basement of the chapel edifice that will be the final resting place of the bones of Jones.

**CRUISER BEARING BODY
OF AMBASSADOR REID
REACHES PORT TO-MORROW**

New York, Dec. 28.—The body of White-law Reid, which is being brought here by the British armored cruiser Natal, will not arrive at this port until next Monday. It was announced today.

The campaign, with members of the late Ambassador's family on board, will duck to-morrow morning.

The funeral will take place next Saturday, January 4, in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, on Morningside Heights.

Gas Victim Recovering.
Mrs. Della Harper, seventy-two years old, who was accidentally overcome by illuminating gas in a bedroom at her home, 728 A Street Southeast, yesterday morning, improved so rapidly last night at Casualty Hospital that physicians told relatives she probably will recover.

Mr. Harper was saved from death by asphyxiation by her nephew, Eugene J. Bernhard, who detected the odor of gas, discovered her unconscious, and summoned Dr. Edwin B. Lettberg.

Speed the Old—Welcome the New With Merry Company at Cafe Republique New Year's Eve.

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To the National Press Club of Washington belongs the distinction of being the first organization or individual to receive a complimentary subscription to the London Times. The fact that during the 120 years of the existence of the London Times there has never been such a courtesy extended before was disclosed in a letter written by Lord Northcliffe, editor and publisher of the paper, to the National Press Club. Lord Northcliffe, in his letter, stated that he thought the club a worthy exception to the rule and that the paper would be sent beginning with January 1, 1913.

Retired Policeman Dead.
Joseph Acton, sixty-nine years old, who was appointed a private in the Police Department in 1887 and retired in 1911, died yesterday morning at the Government Hospital for the Insane, where he had been a patient since his arrest a few days ago. Acton was taken in custody after being watched by a policeman who believed him mentally unbalanced. Acton was detained at the Police Court when retired and was one of the most popular men on the force. He is survived by his second wife and a daughter by his first wife.

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CALLS IT OUTRAGE.

New York World Indignant at Pan-
ama Tolls BILL.

Editorial in New York World.
It is said in Washington that President Taft will sign the Panama tolls bill if it is presented to him.

We find this almost incredible. Both Senate and House have passed a bill which breaks a formal treaty of the United States. They simply have not yet agreed upon all the provisions in conference. So near are we to an indelible disgrace!

We are not, as some apologists of dis-honor say, outwitted in the Hay-Pauncefote treaty. We secured on favorable terms the abandonment by Great Britain of prior treaty claims upon a canal. It was a good and sensible bargain for both nations, for its basis was mutual good feeling and growing friendship.

The clause that the annexation of Panama territory ends our treaty obligations is worthy the ethics of a police court shyster. The present treaty, negotiated by Mr. Taft's predecessor and ratified by the Senate which voted on a black Friday to break its faith, provides that "no change of territorial sovereignty or of the international relations of the country of countries" traversed by the canal shall affect "the obligations of the high contracting powers." Language could not be more clear.

Supposing this outrageous measure passed and signed—what next?

Great Britain would have an excellent case to carry to The Hague International Court. Our jingo legislators have looked as far ahead as that. They will not arbitrate, they say, a question so vitally affecting the nation's honor. Strip off the lofty words! They mean: "The only way we could 'beat' so-and-so a case would be to stay out of court." Shyster practice again; advising the defrauder to run away!

To break this treaty at the call of private greed must eventually mean turning our backs upon the noble record of the United States as a leader in the cause of international arbitration and the peace of the peoples. The World has gladly praised President Taft's services to this cause. Has not Washington report slandered him in assuming that he will sign a bill so infamous that it is incapable even of plausible defense in the peace court of the nations?

A French federation of cotton spinners has established a laboratory for determining the percentage of moisture, or any abnormal dryness in cotton, staple that is too dry being regarded as defective.